

CALL TO ACTION!

SPEAK UP!!!

Call the numbers below during the following times:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH between 12-2pm (EST) and TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH between 12-1pm or 4-5pm (EST).

CARES Foundation supports all patients and their families' right to make decisions based on what is right for them. Recently, however, these rights have come under attack. The recently aired **National Geographic** program, "**Gender Revolution**" by Katie Couric Media, inaccurately and misleadingly characterized CAH, describing girls born with CAH "not clearly male or female" and criticizing the parental decision for early surgical intervention. In addition, the **American Medical Association** has recently begun debating a proposal to end parents' rights to make a decision regarding surgery on their child and require a child's consent prior to such surgery. Finally, **Human Rights Watch** is actively fighting parents' rights to make decisions regarding early surgical intervention comparing it to female genital mutilation, a horrendous practice by religious sects to disfigure and disable external genitalia. These entities have not asked how CAH patients and their families feel about these issues and they need to hear from you. Below are a list of the people most directly involved in each of these entities and their contact information. If you care about your rights as patients and parents and your daughters' right to have the best medical care for a healthy body, **please contact the people below and let them hear your voice.**

NatGeo:

202-857-7000 Main Number

202-912-6526, Chris Albert - Senior VP of Communications

202-912-6500, Natgeo TV

408-349-3300, Yahoo Corporate (owner of Katie Couric Media)

American Medical Association

800-621-8335

202-789-7400

Patrice Harris, Board Chair; James Madara, CEO; Andrew Gurman, President

Human Rights Watch

212-290-4700 New York Main Number

212-216-1835 - Emma Daly, Communications Director

212-216-1250 - Minky Worden, Media Director

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CONVENIENT FOR YOU.***